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Re: U.S. Patent Application
Appl. No. 10/662,513; Filed: September 16, 2003
For: *Clean Carry Apparatus*
Inventor: Sandra M. Aris
Our Ref: 967075.00001

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Response to Restriction Requirement; and
2. One Postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005, requesting an election of claims in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims drawn to Figs. 1-4, without traverse.

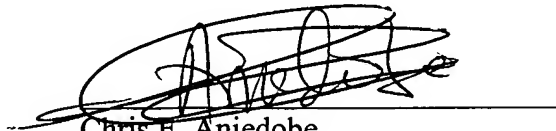
This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications to the non-elected groups.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such

extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0622.

Respectfully submitted,

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